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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: I think that's true, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And there would be...from that corn gluten meal which is used as feed? Is that correct?

SENATOR DIERKS: Corn gluten meal is used as feed, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And this is sold...this...it's animal feed. Isn't it true that the vast majority of corn consumed in this country and around the world is consumed by animals; it's animal feed, not corn for human consumption?

SENATOR DIERKS: I think that's right. I know it's right in Nebraska.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, and it is all over the country and throughout the world. Now when this gluten meal is sold as a feed, doesn't it compete with other field crops that are sold as feed?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes, it would, but it provides...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well it...

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, you're right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Will it be sold cheaper?

SENATOR DIERKS: In most cases it has been.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So, on the one hand we're talking about helping agriculture by paying cash subsidies to build these plants and make a product that doesn't sell, then a by-product is sold in competition to the products produced by other farmers, and it can be sold cheaper than what those other farmers are selling their field crops for, isn't that true?

SENATOR DIERKS: I think that's true, except that the other farmers don't have this same product to sell, it's a little bit